

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A device for securing cargo comprising:
 at least first and second anchoring straps,
 means for adjusting the length of at least one of said first and second anchoring straps;
 at least two cargo securing straps;
 at least first and second ~~two~~ hub means,
wherein said at least first and second hub means slidably secure each of said at least two cargo securing straps therebetween, each of said first and second hub means slideably secures an a first end of each said first and second anchoring straps for rotatable sliding movement therewith, and a second free end of one of said first and second anchoring straps comprises a fastener means. and an end of said at least two cargo straps.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Original) The device of Claim 2 wherein said anchoring straps comprise loop means for securing said anchoring straps to said substrate.
4. (Currently Amended) The device of Claim 3 wherein said loop means are adapted for ~~slideably~~ slidably securing said fastener means ~~a fastening means~~ for securing said anchoring straps.
5. (Original) The device of Claim 4 wherein said ~~fastening~~ fastener means comprises ~~an a~~ S-hook.
6. (Original) The device of Claim 5 wherein said S-hook comprises an open eyelet and a substantially closed eyelet.
7. (Canceled)

8. (Original) The device of Claim 1 wherein said hub means is a closed ringed structure.
9. (Original) The device of Claim 8 wherein said closed ringed structure is circular and said anchoring straps and said at least two cargo straps are adapted for ~~slideable~~ slidable movement thereon.
10. (Original) The device of claim 8 wherein said closed ringed structure is fabricated from metal.
11. (Canceled)
12. (Original) The device of Claim 10 wherein said metal is hardened.
13. (Original) The device of Claim 1 wherein said means for adjusting the length of at least one of said anchoring straps comprises a ratchet clamp.
14. (Canceled)
15. (Canceled)
16. (Original) The device of Claim 1 wherein one of said at least two cargo securing straps is operatively arranged to traverse the sides of said cargo at a position proximate a topside of said cargo.
17. (Original) The device of Claim 1 wherein one of said at least two cargo securing straps is arranged to traverse the sides of said cargo at a position at or above the center of gravity of said cargo.
18. (Original) The device of Claim 17 comprising at least three cargo securing straps wherein two of said at least three cargo securing straps is arranged to traverse the sides of said cargo at positions at or above the center of gravity of said cargo.
19. (Canceled)
20. (Canceled)
21. (New) A device for securing cargo comprising:
 - at least two hub means;
 - at least two cargo securing straps; and,
 - at least first and second anchoring straps,

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wherein at least one of said first and second anchoring straps comprises means for adjusting the length thereof, said at least two hub means slidably secure said at least two cargo securing straps therebetween, each of said at least two hub means slidably secures a first end of each said first and second anchoring straps, and a second free end of each said anchoring strap comprises a fastener means.